The following letter expresses a deep concern that I have with the FDA's recommendation on the rights of compounding pharmacists. We as consumers are already overly bound by what the governing body considers to be within our jurisdiction for making decisions. We should be given some freedom to decide for ourselves and with the help of our chosen healthcare provider what treatment we are going to pursue. 8 8 7 99 JUN -3 A10:24

As a consumer of health care services I want to register my concern and disapproval of the Memorandum of Understanding as published by the FDA on January 21, 1999. In its present form, the MOU, as well as the Compounding Section 503A, severely restricts the rights of the physicians and patients to obtain healthcare products from the provider of their choice. It also infringes on the rights of compounding pharmacists to serve the publics medical needs. As a healthcare consumer I strongly believe that there should be no restrictions to the delivery of compounded medication prescribed for me, regardless of where I live or travel.

The MOU must be amended!!! The FDA is an agency of the U.S.Government that purports to be the "watchdog" for consumer safety. THIS IS NOT A SAFETY ISSUE!! As a governmental agency, the FDA also has a responsibility to be accountable to the people. Once again, the MOU must be amended!!

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